

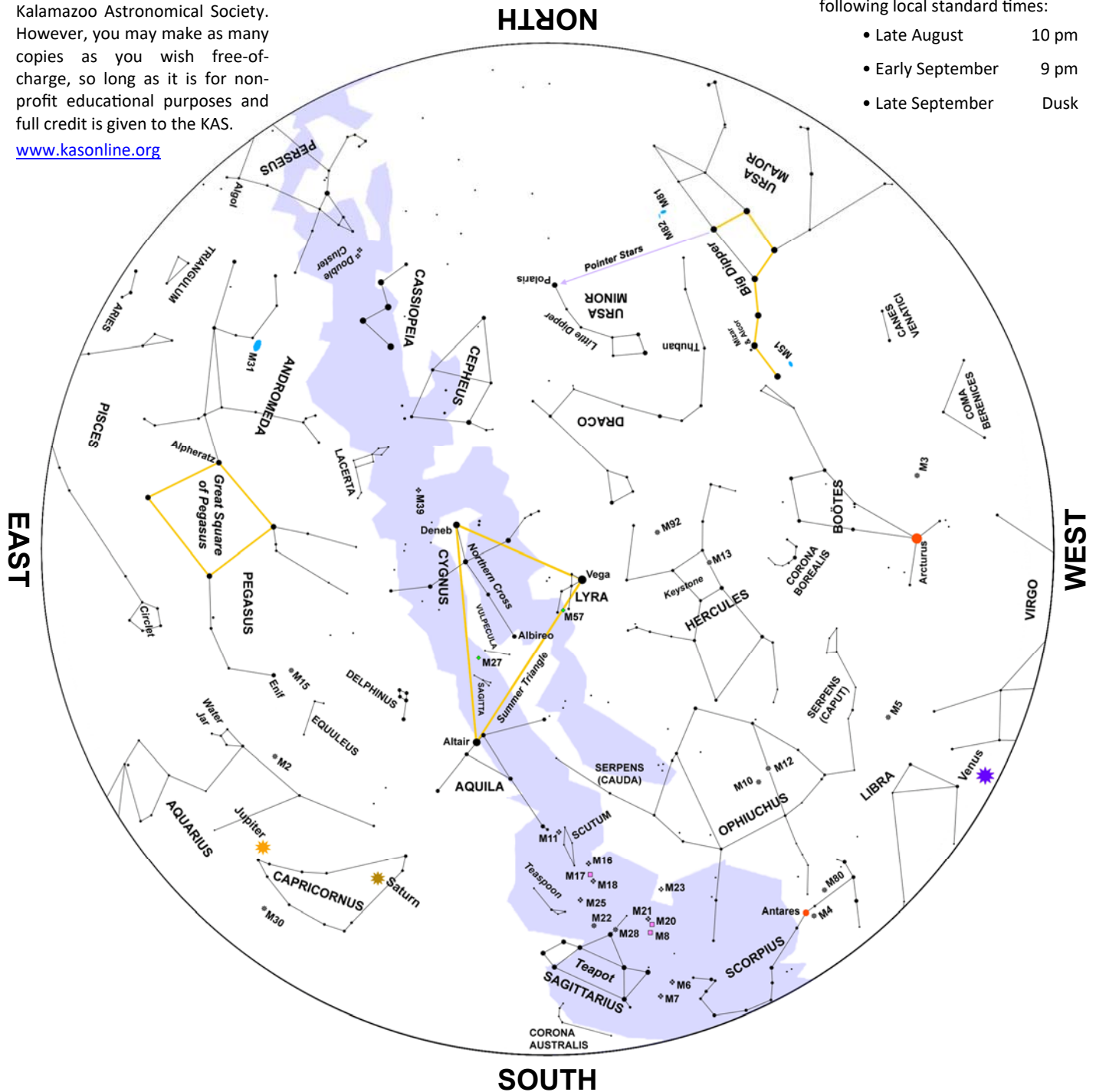
— September Night Sky —

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This map represents the sky at the following local standard times:

- Late August 10 pm
- Early September 9 pm
- Late September Dusk



Look toward the east before dawn breaks on September 4th. There you can spot a thin waning crescent Moon 4° from the Beehive Cluster (M44) in Cancer. That's close enough to fit in the field-of-view of both 7×50 and 10×50 binoculars. Later that same evening, use those binoculars to spot Venus and Spica low on the west-southwest horizon. Only

2° will separate the evening star and actual star.

On the evening of September 9th, the Moon, now one day past new, moves to within 4° of Venus. Spica can be spotted another 4° below the Moon.

A nearly first-quarter Moon visits the

heart of the scorpion, Antares, on the night of September 12th. The two will only be 3° apart - another grand sight for binocular viewers!

A waxing gibbous Moon then moves to within 4° of Saturn on September 16th and 5° from Jupiter on September 17th. More sights to enjoy with binoculars!